1176. [*Transferred to the 29th November, 1988*]

Post and Telegraph Office at NTR Nagar, Hyderabad

1177. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up a Post and Telegraph Office at N.T.R. Nagar near L. B. Nagar in Hyderabad; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Opening of PCOS in Andhra Pradesh

1178. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new public call offices opened in Andhra Pradesh and the additional staff appointed correspondingly during 1987-88;

(b) whether the public call offices are being manned by physically handicapped persons, if so, what is the number of such appointments made in Andhra Pradesh during 1987-88;

(c) whether there is any proposal to open some more public call offices in Andhra Pradesh during 1988-89 and 1989-90; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) During 1987-88, 41 LDPTs and 30 Local Public Telephones were opened in Andhra Pradesh. No additional staff was appointed.

(b) Yes, Sir. Out of total Public Telephones opened during 1987-88, 2 Public Telephones are manned by physically handicapped persons.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) During 1988-89 and 1989-90, 20 Long Distance Public Telephones and 400 Local Public Telephones are planned to be opened each year.

Cross-bar telephone exchanges in Andhra Pradesh

1179. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to start more cross-bar telephone exchanges in Andhra Pradesh during 1988-89; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the Locations selected for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) New Cross-bar exchanges are to be commissioned during 1988-89 at the following places:

Name of Exchange		
1. Amalapuram	:	1000L
2. Hindupur	:	1500L
3. Tirupathy	:	3000L

The following Cross-bar Exchanges are likely to be expanded during 1988-89 as shown against each:

1. Guntur by 1000L (4000 to 5000L)

2. Nizamabad by 500L (3500 to 4000L)

3. Hyderabad/Secunderabad III 200L (3800—4000) already commissioned on 8-7-1988.

4. Hyderabad/Saifabad 400L (8000 to 8400L) already commissioned on 3-8-1988.